

Torrance Soldier in Army Test in Bavaria

Army Pvt. Jimmie L. Bardin, 20, whose wife, Elizabeth, lives at 4333 W. 173rd St., was a participant in the recently completed maneuvers held in southern Bavaria by the 5th Infantry Division's 11th Regiment.

Taking place during some of the worst weather Germany has had in years, the maneuvers tested the combat-readiness of the unit under realistic fighting conditions.

Private Bardin, a member of the regiment's Service Company, entered the Army during May, 1953, and has been in Europe since January of this year.



HANDY . . . Always with Max Will, AFSIS student who will make his home with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mosley at 3846 Ward St., WALTERIA, during his year of classes at Torrance High School, is a miniature German-English dictionary, a lifesaver when he can't recall the English counterpart needed to complete conversation with his foster parents. The lad has few language difficulties however. (English is a required subject in German schools) Grammar gives him some trouble but with the Mosleys' help he hopes to perfect it. "We'll probably learn better English—and some German too—as a result," the Mosleys laughed.



"WHAT! A FIREPLACE . . . In the backyard!" (Herald Photo) exclaims Max to Mrs. Mosley. In his native city, Bochum, Germany, and most other cities in that country, the residents wouldn't think of putting a fireplace outside. They think such a fixture belongs in a house, Max explains. Low, sprawling Mosley house also was a surprise to the German student; in his city, most homes are at least two stories high.

German Student Here for School

By AGNES BOLTER
"In Germany, my teachers told me that there are many good things in America and Americans. But like all countries and peoples, there are some things that are not so good. It is my job to search for the good and the bad and take what I have learned back with me next summer."
That's what Max Will, 17-year-old native of Bochum, Germany, who will study at Torrance High School next year under the American Field Service International Scholarship program, said Thursday, just one day after he arrived in Torrance.

Max was in New York for three days before the cross-country trek began and took a regular "Cook's tour" of the famed city, viewing the Empire State Building, Broadway, the United Nations Building, and the Statue of Liberty. He also visited Staten Island and Jones Beach.

The German lad had nothing but praise for the city and when he arrived in Los Angeles had compliments to pass out to what the native of Southern California considers one of the greatest banes of existence—the traffic.

"It is very heavy and moves along so fluently I was astonished," he said. "In Germany there are not so many cars but there are many more traffic jams."
"Very—Colored!"
Max got his first look at Hollywood the same day, for his foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mosley of 3846 Ward St., WALTERIA, stopped in the star city enroute home to pick up a generator for their car. "It is very—colored," Max said, searching for the English word to describe the blatant and often garish display of advertisements throughout the city.

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But although the foreign student was intrigued with the appearance of Hollywood, he doesn't think much of its product. He saw many American movies in Germany but prefers the French films. A few of the United States brand which he did like were "From Here to Eternity," "The Wild One," and Steinbeck's immortal "Grapes of Wrath," released in his native city under the title "Fruits of the Angels."

"Gone With the Wind" may soon be added to his list of favorites, for the Mosleys plan to take him to see it next week.

Under the AFSIS program, Max will be required to take courses in American government and social studies in order that he may acquire a basic understanding of American traditions and take that knowledge back to own people. Otherwise, his study plan will be left largely up to his own discretion, and although he hasn't had time to plan extensively, he is most interested in learning touch typing. He also would like to continue his studies in piano.

Never Saw Baseball
The varied sports program at THS also will be new for the German boy. In his native city, the athletics program included only swimming, track, soccer, and gymnastics. Baseball has never been watched or played—but the Mosleys predict that with the advent of the World Series he will become as ardent a baseball fan as most Americans.

Max will feel right at home, although he may be nostalgic for his German land at Christmas-time, for the two-week holiday usually granted here is the same in his native schools. However, he is due for a disappointment around Easter, for he won't get the two-week vacation granted in German schools.

"We also have a 10-day vacation at Whitsuntide, a religious holiday celebrated a few months after Easter," Max revealed.

But though mid-term vacations will be shorter, Max will have a longer summer rest to look forward to; in Germany, the summer vacation lasts only five weeks as compared to the American three months.

He'll be sailing for his native land shortly after the end of the school term and feels that he will be sorry to leave America and the friends he will make here. But at

Allied Gardens

Several Hundred Allied Gardens Residents Enjoy El Retiro Meet

By VIOLE KLUG
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There was a lot of excitement out this way Wednesday evening, when the residents of Ave. E, which runs into Palos Verdes Blvd., erected a barricade at the Redondo line to protest speeding cars. It waxed quite hot for a while, when one chap went thru the barricade, and a flying board struck a bystander. The victim remonstrated with him and the chap went home, to reappear with a knife and a bayonet. The arrival of the Redondo Police prevented any casualties. The crowd dispersed on the arrival of the Torrance Police, who handled the situation very tactfully. They asked the folks to remove the furniture they had used for a barricade, telling them they might need their chairs.

The first social event of the Allied Gardens Home-owners Assoc., the picnic at El Retiro Park, Sunday, Aug. 1, was a huge success. There were between 300 and 400 neighbors and friends present. We enjoyed barbecued sandwiches, corn, cake, watermelon, coffee and soft drinks. The children spent the day under the supervision of H. Caldwell who managed to keep them interested most of the time.

Among those present were Councilmen Albert Isen and Willys Blount with their wives. It was a pleasure to meet them.

Mr. Rusch wishes to thank his committeemen: Rusch, barbecue; Betts, publicity; Caldwell, games; Nance and Strehlow, tickets; Scartz and Stadler, concessions and auctions; and the many folks who volunteered their services. Thanks a million. We are planning more social affairs.

Among those present at the Allied Gardens Home-owners picnic Sunday were Mr. and Mrs.

Frank Kiser of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Caldwell and daughter Jackie, of Whittier, who were guests of the Wellivers, of 22327 Snaycroft Ave.

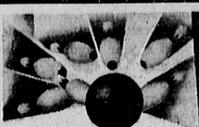
There is a happy family at the Frazier home at 5406 Sharynne Lane. Commander Paul Frazier is home. He and his son, Patrick Michael, born June 16, are busy getting acquainted. He is commander of the Destroyer U.S.S. Shelton and has spent the last six months in Korean waters.

The circus was the theme, carried out at the joint birthday party given at the home of the Robert Mahoneys, Friday afternoon, July 30, in honor of Dennis, who was seven, Friday, and his sister, Kathy, who was three years old July 19. Among those present were Jimmy and Gary Van Nest, Linda and Skipper Scott, Jimmy Patterson and Barbara Comer. Busy Gray had to miss the party, on account of illness.

In accordance with the circus theme, one of the games played was pinning the nose on the clown. Linda Scott was the winner. Gary Van Nest won the plate passing contest. Refreshments, consisting of a circus cake, ice cream, and lemonade were enjoyed by all, and, of course, there were balloons. What is a circus without balloons?

Mrs. Marion Terry, 22312 S. Sanna Ave., leader of Brownie Troop No. 1632, announces a picnic for the troop Tuesday afternoon at El Retiro Park.

A new-comer in the home of Sgt. and Mrs. Elgin Elliott, 5402 Clearside Ave. arrived July 18th, at Fort McArthur Hospital, a boy, Michael Vicki, weighing seven pounds four ounces.



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SHUTTERBUG . . . This picture of Max as a photographer (that's his favorite hobby) was snapped as he was taking a shot of his "adopted" father picking a few strawberries.

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